

'Worried about disappearing landmarks ...'

New Hillsborough Historical Society is formed

Plans for a projected Hillsborough Historical Society, now in the process of being organized by a score of interested local citizens, were announced today by Mrs. Marvin Lockhart, membership chairman.

"The idea of an historical society has been simmering in Hillsboro for a long time," Mrs. Lockhart said. "A hundred years ago historians were lamenting the fact that so many of our old landmarks and buildings were disappearing without leaving a trace. A month ago, some of us decided

that the time had come to preserve what we had left.

"In November, Dr. Christopher Crittenden of the State Department of Archives and History introduced a resolution (unanimously passed) at the Raleigh meeting of the State Society at the Raleigh meeting of the State Society for the Preservation of Antiquities to the effect that that Society would lend all encouragement to the establishment of an historical society in Hillsboro. Perhaps that backing gave us just the impetus we needed."

The initial exploratory group, besides Mrs. Lockhart has consisted of: Dr. and Mrs. Charles Blake, Edwin Lynch, Mrs. Erle G. Hill, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Murphy, Hugh Conway Browning, Mr. and Mrs. Don Matheson, Mrs. Jake Forrest, Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John Carr, and Mrs. Alfred G. Engstrom.

The group has held a series of informal meetings throughout February laying the foundation work for the Society. They will meet again tomorrow night,

March 2, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Moore on W. Queen St.

"The State Department of Archives and History has given us a considerable amount of assistance," Mrs. Lockhart said. "We have now worked out a sound constitution which will allow the Society to do a very great deal for Hillsboro for many years to come. We plan to incorporate as a legal unit in a few months and a course we are affiliating ourselves with the State Department of Archives and History."

"We want to emphasize the point that this is a community venture, and that membership in the Society will be open to anyone who has an interest in Historic Hillsboro and the surrounding area—and a wish to preserve it."

Mrs. Lockhart announced that the first public meeting of the Hillsborough Historical Society (which plans to use the spelling of the Earl of Hillsborough's name) will be held on Friday evening, April 6, at 8:00 p. m. in the New Courthouse.

Four new precincts designated

Four new precincts were set up in Chapel Hill Township and a complete re-registration of all voters ordered yesterday by the County Board of Elections.

The new boundary lines brings the Township to a total of 12 precincts out of the 25 in the County. About two-thirds of the 15,000-plus presently-registered voters in the County are estimated to reside in Chapel Hill Township.

The new registration will be held at the regular registration period for new voters prior to the May 26 Democratic party primary. The registration books in the new 12-precinct Chapel Hill Township will open on April 28 and continue open through May 12, with registrars being in the precinct polling places on April 28, May 5, and May 12. Anybody who fails to register at this time will not be eligible to vote in county, state, national, and Chapel Hill School Board elections.

Whether or not the Town of Chapel Hill will require a registration remains to be decided by

New members sworn for grand jury duty

Carl L. Sparrow was sworn in Monday as the new foreman of the Orange County Grand Jury as the new term began. Nine new members were drawn for the six months term.

Mr. Sparrow was ill on Tuesday and the court appointed Vernon E. Sykes as assistant foreman to continue the jury's work.

Other new members sworn in to the Grand Jury were Allie C. Walker, Charlie L. Mangum, Ed Faucette, Billy Medlin, Robert K. Weiler, Charles C. Hopkins and James Snipes Jr.

municipal officials. Five of the new precincts are all or partially inside the town limits, but their boundary lines within the town are the same as those for the county. Since a separate set of

Session of high court limping along slowly in first part of week

With Solicitor Ike Andrews dividing his time between Hillsboro and Pittsboro, with sessions of Superior Court in session in both counties at the same time, this week's Orange County term limped along with little progress.

Divorce actions were big items in Monday's record and continuances and nol pros decisions were numerous in the record for the earlier part of the week.

Two breaking and entering cases were the principal criminal actions disposed of in the first two days.

Charles Tate, 26, Chapel Hill area Negro, was sentenced to serve 7 to 10 years for breaking into Fitch Lumber Co. and stealing \$6 and a quantity of tools. His attempted safe robbery here was unsuccessful. Later, he broke into Mebane Lumber Co. at Mebane but was frightened away by police. He entered guilty pleas in both cases and prayer for judgment was continued in the latter case for five years on condition of good behavior.

Four escaped convicts were sentenced to one year addition to their current terms for escape attempts. They were Melvin Heaton, Luman Wayne Estes Jr., William Horace Sanders and Hershel Carver.

Robert Elliott Murray received

a two year roads sentence suspended for three years on two cases of breaking, entering and larceny. Joe Lewis, convicted in February 1961 for unlawful possession and sale of illegal liquor and fined \$200 and costs, had his four months prison sentence invoked this week for failing to comply with the terms of the previous sentence.

At their meeting yesterday the Board of Elections re-named all of the Chapel Hill Precincts,

eliminating the old numbering system, and designated the new Carrboro voting areas as North and South Carrboro. Whether or not the town and county boundaries will be the same within Carrboro also remains to be decided by town officials there.

The former five Chapel Hill Precincts have been re-named and divided as follows: Estes Hills, East Franklin, Woollen Gym, Glenwood, King's Mill, Dogwood Acres, and High School.

While it may be difficult for residents to visualize the boundaries of the new precincts, they are described by the Board of Elections as follows:

In Chapel Hill Precinct One there will be no change.

Precinct Two is divided into the Estes Hills and East Franklin Precincts. Boundaries for the Estes Hills Precinct, with polling place at Estes Hills School, will be the Chapel Hill town line on the south, to the Durham Road at Bolin Creek, thence eastward to the Durham County line and then up the county line and along the previous border with Patterson Precinct on the north.

The East Franklin Precinct, with Graham Memorial building as polling place, will be bounded on the north by the Chapel Hill town line, Columbia St.-Airport Rd. on the west, and on the south, by Cameron Ave. eastward through Battle Park on Battle Branch to the bypass highway, thence up the bypass to the Durham Highway.

Precinct No. Three will remain as it is now, except that the area

between Cameron and Franklin St. as noted above will be in the new East Franklin Precinct. This precinct will henceforth be named Woollen Gym, where the polling place will continue to be located.

The Glenwood Precinct has been created out of the north side of Precinct Five, and will be bounded on the south by Mason Farm Road — the section leading to Finley Golf Course, and thence up the Finley Golf Course Road to the Raleigh Road.

The area south and west of this Mason Farm-Raleigh Road (Highway 54) dividing line and formerly in old Precinct Five will be known as the King's Mill Precinct, in which the polling place is yet to be designated. Primary purpose of splitting this precinct was to leave Highland Woods in the town precinct.

Precinct Four has been divided by Morgan Creek, the dividing line beginning at the bridge over the creek on Pittsboro Highway, and thence up the creek to University Lake and south on Price's Creek to the Chatham County Line.

The area south of these creek lines will be known as the Dogwood Acres Precinct, with the precinct polling place still to be designated.

The right-of-way of the Duke Power Co. transmission line will be the boundary between South Carrboro Precinct and the remainder of Precinct No. Four, which will henceforth be known as High School Precinct, where

Murder trial start seen today

The trial of Bobby Lee "Lucky" Moore for the Dec.

8 single-shot pistol slaying of Bill Ellis in Chapel Hill was expected to begin today in Superior Court at Hillsboro.

The possibility of Moore's entering a guilty plea to some lesser charge than the first degree count on which he was earlier arraigned entered the picture this week. It was learned that a conference was held with Moore in jail at Hillsboro on Tuesday and this possibility was discussed.

The 29-year-old printer has been held in the county jail without bond since the midnight shooting in a downtown

Chapel Hill cafeteria. Unless he is tried on a lesser offense than first degree murder he would by law be required to enter an automatic plea of not guilty.

Moore's attorney is Hillsboro lawyer Bonner D. Sawyer. Eye-witnesses to the shooting were summoned to appear in court for the trial yesterday. However, it was apparently postponed until today because of Solicitor Ike Andrews' necessary absence to prosecute cases in Chatham County Superior Court.



CLEVELAND SWORN IN—Gordon Cleveland of the University political science faculty formally accepts appointment to the newly-created State Awards Commission from Gov. Sanford at ceremonies held last Thursday in the State Capitol at Raleigh.

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